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FROM MR. EMMANUEL. JONES: ¹

BRASSERTON, 18th Feby. 1774.

DEAR SIR,

Your favour of the 25th Jany I receiv'd last night, & am sorry to tell You that my Voice was long since engaged to Mr. Madison (our Professor of Mathematics) for his Brother: had my good friend Col: Washington made the least mention to me of Capn: Crawford, he might have been assur'd, I would gladly have oblig'd him. The Revd: Mr. Thruston the 1st Instant wrote to me recommending Capn: Wm. Rutherford (who deliver'd the letter) and Capn: Crawford; I told Capn: Rutherford, that I should take great pleasure in serving them both, but was afraid I could not, as I had heard Capn: Bullett's ill conduct had occasion'd an order of Council not to appoint any more Extra-Surveyors how true this report may be, I cannot with certainty affirm.

The best method that I can point out for Capn: Crawford is to get a Deputation from the Surveyor of the County in whose Precinct the Part he desires is contain'd; if he can do that, I hope he will succeed, especially if he is expeditious in his Application. Our City has long expected the Arrival of Lady Dunmore: Bon-fires, Illuminations &c. have been order'd these ten Days, but none yet lighted. My best respects attend Mrs. Washington, who I should be very glad in having the pleasure once more to see,

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I am Dr Sir, Yr most obedt: hble Servt. EMMANUEL JONES.

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